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In the year of our Lord, 1492, after 20 years of waiting and discouragements, after repeated attempts to enlist assistance in what was then deemed "a financial scheme of a disordered mind," and after encountering as many failures—Columbus finally succeeded, and set sail on the 3rd day of August with the object of finding a shorter route to the shores of Cathay. After a tempestuous voyage of two months and nine days, with a multitude of ships by practically all the European powers, and a mad race to the new country, each vying with each other in the endeavor "to get in on the ground floor," and grab all that had not been grabbed. They were very naturally mistaken, however, because of their ignorance of the country and its extent, to which they had come. But through the hurry and excitement of acquisition, they were led in various directions, and but few years elapsed before the eastern and western shores had been traversed, and many inland sections had been penetrated; when they came to realize that it was not the East Indies, but a new continent had been discovered. Then began the struggle for supremacy, and it was not until 1620 that the old regime was deposed and the seeds of real liberty were planted on the American continent. The coming of the "Mayflower" and the "Pilgrim Fathers" is set down as the beginning of real religious and civil liberty. Before they disembarked, they held a meeting in the cabin of the Mayflower, and passed a set of resolutions, promising one another, in the presence of God, equal laws and fidelity to the general good; the principles of a free democracy. This meeting of the Pilgrims was the prototype, and the resolutions they passed constitute the model upon which our commonwealth is based. This was a great and good beginning; but it has been an arduous task to maintain the standard. Under this model of self-government, our country has developed with a rapidity beyond all reasonable expectation; but as our resources have developed and our wealth has increased, the spirit of cupidity has kept pace in its development also; until today we find men, as well as in the times of Columbus, "discovering" things; then standing brazenly in the face of this latter-day enlightenment, and thanking God that men such as "WE" have been made the custodians of the wealth of the world. Gold, silver, coal, lands, forests and almost everything of any value have been "grabbed" by these godly (?) custodians. And, to such an extent has this spirit been developed, that when the ordinary soul has the temerity to ask for a little of this accumulated wealth, he is denied as far as possible, and the foreigner is imported who does not demand so much. This is readily observed if one will but walk our streets and notice who are doing the work on our public improvements. Our paving, guttering, laying of pipes of various kinds—who is doing it? You will need a microscope if you wish to discover one single little American citizen among the bunch; except, perhaps, a foreman now and then. Who is doing much of the railroad work of an unskilled or semi-skilled nature? Foreigners. And corporations and contractors of all kinds are employing this cheap foreign labor just as much as they think the people will stand for. Why? Because of that greedy disposition to make a dollar more, even though a fellow citizen starve because of it. But the excuse is made that white help (and I say "white" advisedly) cannot be had. No, not for the price offered. Our people are neither dogs nor hogs; they will not gnaw a bone nor eat slop. They demand better things of our civilization. The most of these "hirelings" will stand to be "bullied" and "brow-beaten" by the taskmaster, to be underpaid, underfed, under-clothed and housed like cattle; while MEN will not. It seems to me that the business men of the country would wake up and take a hand in this matter; for these foreigners, as a rule, buy only a limited supply of the coarsest clothing, live on the cheapest food, and not much of it, and send most of what they do earn out of the country; while on the other hand, if our own people were employed at good wages, their business would be very materially increased. It seems to me that it would be greatly to the advantage of our business interests to join with the honest working men in the demand for the abolition of the contract system on public works; and that the national, state and municipal authorities be required to make employment direct, and at a wage sufficient to enable the workers to live like human beings; and that none should be employed except he be an American citizen. We would then get what we pay for; as we do not under the present contract system. Who will be the first to join with us in trying the experiment? Think of the thousands of dollars of Ogden's payroll that is sent out of the country every month, and then tell me if you wonder why business is not better? Who, then, is responsible for these conditions?

Spain is to fall in line as a demonstrator of Lafargue's principle that capitalist charity is to steal wholesale and return retail. The government proposes a bill whereby aged workmen shall be pensioned. The beneficiaries of this kind move are (under certain conditions) to receive 1 per cent a day after they shall have worked from their 1th to their 65th year.

"When the King left Madrid," so runs the special from Europe, "he looked careworn, and even in court circles the possibility of danger to the throne is admitted, unless the strongest measures are taken." From identical "news" sources and in identical "news" papers, only recently this identical King was reported "the idol of his people," and detailed accounts were given of the vast multitudes who gathered wherever he went to look in the sunshine of their young King's "imitably jovial smile." Of course, these multitudes, this basking, and this smile, in short, this popularity, was only newspaper made. Newspaper-made idols and the like are only subjects for stock exchange gambings and for political campaign trappings.

WOMAN QUESTION A CLASS QUESTION.
In all likelihood the women who hooted the King of Spain as he was "seeing off" the troops for the Moorish war, never heard either of "suffragists" or of "suffragettes." All the same they pay in good licks for at least they furnished an object lesson. Although referred to by the despatches as a "mob," these women were as far above the "ladies," partly in whose behalf the war is conducted, as the stars are above the gutters. This "mob," hooting a king towards whom "ladies" were waving their handkerchiefs, proves once more that the "Woman Question" is not a sex, but a class question.

An organization of which Andrew Carnegie, Cornelius N. Bliss and other such are members announces that it can "furnish right now to every one of the thousands of unemployed the names of more than one firm, located away from congested centers, where his work is needed." The sentence obviously broke off at this spot. The work of the workingmen in question is needed, to raise the supply of labor in these localities, and lower wages.

LABOR DAY AND THE FAIR.
We will celebrate Labor Day this year at the fair grounds. In fact, we will open the Four-State Fair, and in conjunction with the fair management, are determined to make it the "banter day" of the fair, and the best Labor Day celebration that Ogden has ever had. We thought it expedient to change the order of procedure this year, so there will be no street parade as heretofore. We propose to give the morning over to speech-making and the entertainment of the children, who will be admitted free up to 11 o'clock in the morning; that is, those under 12 years of age. We

would say to the parents, bring the children in the morning, before the day grows warm, and let them have the time of their lives. Each child taking part in the sports will receive a little present, and the winner of each event will receive a prize. There will be a splendid program of horse racing in the afternoon. In the evening the heavier sports will begin at 7 o'clock, consisting of racing, jumping, nail-driving, jar breaking, tug-of-war, for which good and liberal prizes will be offered. Each union is requested to bring their banners, flags or other emblems and decorate the grandstand with them. At least four unions are requested to furnish teams for the tug-of-war and notify W. M. Piggott at the earliest possible moment. The president of each union is requested to take a seat on the speakers' stand. The committee is endeavoring to arrange the grounds as pleasantly as possible for the comfort of all.

Now brothers, come prepared to give the people a good time, while they will come to enjoy it. The fun will begin at 9:30 a. m.

The Fair Association is preparing elaborately this year and the exhibits will surpass all previous efforts.

BREWERY WORKERS TO GIVE OUTING.

Through the courtesy of the Ogden Trades and Labor Assembly, which is greatly appreciated by us, we desire to announce through our columns, our fifth annual outing to be held at the Hermitage, Thursday, August 19th. We also wish to extend a hearty invitation to our many friends to join with us on that occasion and make the day one long to be remembered. A good program has been arranged which will include sports for old and young. There will also be dancing both afternoon and evening. Bring the cheese and crackers and we will look after the rest. Hoping to receive your hearty support, we remain,

Your brothers in organized labor,
Local No. 325, International Union of United Brewery Workmen of America,
by A. West, Assistant Secretary.

Signs of the time indicate that the elements of dissatisfaction and disaffection are creeping into the ranks of the Hat Manufacturers' Association, which organization has taken up the cudgel against the United Hatters of North America. Small wonder at it, too, when plenty of capital is waiting to invest wherever a good profit return can be made.

The Hat Manufacturers' Association thought that they had the hatters where the wool was long, and would be able to hold them face down; but the best laid plans of mice and men "gang aft agley" and they reckoned without their hosts, the "Hosts of Labor," who we are pleased to say have in turn hosts of friends. Altogether the situation within the confines of the Hat Manufacturers' Association is not one of supreme comfort and ease; there are certain times in battle that an honorable retreat saves utter defeat.

The practical application of the sentiment expressed in the above quotation would be a most sensible action. When the germs of dissatisfaction have gotten fairly started, they soon grow into the advanced stage which spells "disintegration."

The position that the Hat Manufacturers' Association has taken as a body against the Hatters' Union supplemented by a \$25,000.00 forfeit bond binding them together, is opening the way for unemployed capital to step in and secure the employment of itself and secure to the unemployed hatters employment they now so badly need, but have nobly refused under the conditions so repugnant to them. For twenty weeks they have stood out for a principle which is the basis upon which their union is founded and will stand out until success attends their efforts.

Marxian Club Socialists

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Planters, who have money to make by slavery—clergymen, who have planters to please—politicians, who want to rule by it—may warp and bend language and ethics to a degree that shall astonish the world at their ingenuity; they can press nature and the Bible, and nobody knows what else into the service; but, after all, neither they nor the world believe in it one particle the more. It comes from the devil; that's the short of it;—and to my mind, it's a pretty respectable specimen of what he can do in his own line.—Harriet Beecher Stowe.

In the former case the wage slaves—the victims of the system—will be massacred by each other in their millions at the nod of the owning class; and it matters not which section wins out, the wage slaves will be the only real sufferers, and their slavery will continue.

Clear Understanding Needed.

In the latter case, there is no positive reason why a single drop of human blood should be shed. Let the working class be given a clear knowledge of the true position and they won't be much use to the brigand, even if he does compel them by hunger to don a capitalist uniform. Let them organize in the light of that knowledge, and in touch with their brothers all over the world, and show the brigands that the working class whose labor alone can enable armies to march, fight, or even live, has the last and decisive say on the war question.

This is what is urgently needed in the present crisis of social history; a complete entente cordiale between the world's workers of every race and color, so that if we cannot prevent the gathering to battle, we may realize in some sort the vision of Marx (we think) who pictured two armed hosts who instead of rushing against each other with the instruments of murder, throw them aside and end the war—not with a massacre, but with a fraternal embrace.

Privileged classes are always blind. The advantages they enjoy by the oppression of other classes always appear to be in the very nature of things, or as the decree of some beneficent being whose special favorites they are. The great majority of these parasites—like the Bourbons—never learn anything nor forget anything; their doom as a class will be as sudden and unexpected as the Messina earthquake.

No one talks less about love than the Socialist, or shows more love for the race in his actions. He sacrifices his body, his brain, his means and his leisure without hope of personal reward. He does not live on the "game," the "game" lives on him.

HAMMER HITS.

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CLASS INTERESTS.

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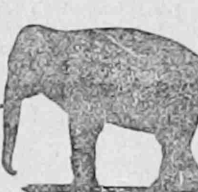
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The logic of that proposition is that it matters not one whit what measures or what action is adopted by either the capitalists or the workers the doom of the system cannot be avoided or indefinitely postponed.

The economic force that is driving it to its doom is the wage system, the fatal characteristic of which is that it prevents the wage workers—who form the great bulk of the human race—from consuming the product of their labor, thus destroying that "effective demand" for commodities on which their employment, and, therefore, their life and well being depend, and on which the profits of the capitalists and the continuance of his system are corner stoned.

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